[Mr. I. C. Chacko.]

(*b*) the amount spent for the same and the nature of the work done, during the current year?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 1,374-18-8 for investigation and Rs. 245 for preliminary works.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the Government whether out of this amount a single pie has been spent for the construction of the bridge during the course of this year?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: No amount has been spent this year.

MR. PULIYOOR T P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: My question was whether any amount was spent for the construction of the bridge and the nature of the work done, *during the current year*. May I know why this answer is given?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: No amount is spent this year. The amounts given show the up-to-date expenditure.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from Government whether there was a budget allotment for the construction of the bridge for the current year?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: Yes there has been.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether out of that amount even a single pie has been spent for the construction of the bridge this year?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: No Sir.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Sir Henry Craik, Political Adviser to His Excellency the Crown Representative, arrived at 11·20 A. M. and was received by the President and seated on the dais.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.—(*contd.*)

Travancore Civil Service.

77 ***MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU:** Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the probationers hitherto admitted to the Travancore Civil Service?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: The required statement is given below:—

Brahmin	2
Nayar	1
Other Hindu	1
Ezhava	1
Anglican	1
Syriac Catholic	1
Marthomite	1
Muslim	1

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MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : തിരുവിതാംകൂർ സിവിൽ സർവ്വീസിലേക്ക് ആളുകളെ തിരഞ്ഞെടുക്കുമ്പോൾ വർഗീയപ്രാതിനിധ്യം പരിഗണിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോയെന്ന സദയം പ്രസ്താവിക്കുമോ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : ഉണ്ട്. താഴ്ന്നസ്ഥിതിയിലുള്ള ക്ലാസിയാണ് ഈ സെലക്ഷൻ ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ളത്.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : അങ്ങനെയാണെങ്കിൽ ആയിരക്കണക്കിനു ജനസംഖ്യയുള്ള ബ്രാഹ്മണർക്കു രണ്ടുദ്യോഗവും, ലക്ഷക്കണക്കിനു ജനസംഖ്യയുള്ള സിറിയൻ കത്തോലിക്കർക്കു ഒരുദ്യോഗം മാത്രവും ആകാനുള്ള കാരണം എന്തു ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : ജനസംഖ്യാനുപാതികമായിട്ടല്ല ഈ സെലക്ഷൻ നടത്തിയത്.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : ഈ സെലക്ഷൻ ജനസംഖ്യാനുപാതികമായിട്ടു നടത്തായെന്നല്ലെ മെമ്പർ പറഞ്ഞത്?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI ; അല്ല. ജനസംഖ്യാനുപാതികപ്രാതിനിധ്യത്തിനും വർഗീയപ്രാതിനിധ്യത്തിനും വ്യത്യാസമുണ്ട്. വർഗീയപ്രാതിനിധ്യം ഈ സെലക്ഷനിൽ പരിഗണിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നാണു ഞാൻപറഞ്ഞതു.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : ഈ സംഗതിയിൽ വർഗീയപ്രാതിനിധ്യമോ ജനസംഖ്യാനുപാതികപ്രാതിനിധ്യമോ എതാണു അനുസരിച്ചതെന്നു പ്രസ്താവിക്കാൻ മടിയുണ്ടാകുമോ ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : May I explain the position, Sir? Recruitment to Public Service under the Travancore Civil Service Examination system has been recently introduced with a view to see that the best candidates are made available for the Civil Service. At the same time Government have taken into account the circumstance that adequate provision should also be made for unrepresented communities. In the first year, four candidates were selected in the order of merit, and two others were nominated although they were not eligible for the place in the order of merit. Their selection was mainly due to the circumstance that they belonged to unrepresented communities and they stood comparatively high among those who competed. During the last year also, the same principle was adopted and one place was given to a member of the unrepresented communities, while two others were selected in the order of merit.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : ഇതുവരെ നടത്തിയിട്ടുള്ള സെലക്ഷനിൽ ഏതെല്ലാം ജാതിമതവിഭാഗങ്ങളിൽ പെട്ടവർ ഉദ്യോഗപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമോ ?

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RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Sir, the examination is conducted by a Committee of eminent men both from inside and outside the State.

MR PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : 'എമിനൻറ് മെൻ' എന്നു പറഞ്ഞതുകൊണ്ടായില്ല. ഏതെല്ലാം വർഗീയവിഭാഗങ്ങളിൽപെട്ടവരെയെലക്റ്റു ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നാണു എന്റെ ചോദ്യം.

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: A European was then the Public Service Commissioner.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : 'യൂറോപ്യൻ' എന്നുപറയുന്നതു ഒരു മതവിഭാഗമാണോ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: I do not wish to classify the community in the case of Europeans. Mr. C. R. Reddy from the Andhra University also was a member of that Committee.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : അസമത്വസമുദായത്തിൽപെട്ടതെങ്കിലും ഈ സെലക്ഷൻ ബോർഡിൽ പരിശോധകന്മാരായി ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നോ ?

PRESIDENT: I think I ought to make the position clear. The Travancore Civil Service Examination was instituted for the purpose of finding out the most meritorious candidates available for Public Service within the State. That merit can be decided only, in the present imperfect state of human knowledge and experience, by some kind of competitive examination. In order to get rid of the evil effects of a purely competitive written examination, a *viva voce* is also indicated as a suitable method. The *viva voce* is also included and in order to get rid of the suggestion that local bias may also operate, it has been the policy of this Government to invite eminent men from outside the State in order to work at this task of making the selection after they have made the choice which will be entirely based on the merits in the examination. When it is found that certain communities who, owing to traditional or historic considerations, are more apt in answering papers than others, then steps are taken to choose the best man amongst the other communities. For instance, an Ezhava or a Muslim is the tenth in rank, but he is the first amongst the Eazhavas or the Muslims, he is also taken. That is the principle we have been adopting. That is a concession for satisfying communal claims.

Something was said about religion. It is not the intention of the Travancore Government to choose people according to religion but according to community. For instance, if you say that a Marthomite or an Ezhava should be taken, somebody may say that the Seventh Day Adventists should be taken. They are a fairly large section in South Travancore. There are about 2000 people, larger than anywhere in India. They would claim some sort of representation. But that is not the idea of Government. The major communities are well known.

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The Syrian Catholic Community is known to be well educated. I am glad to know that they are doing very well in this examination. So they cannot ask any concession just as the Brahmins or the Nayars. They can take their rank in these examinations. That is the principle upon which this Government have proceeded.

MR, PADIYARA JOSEPH KUJNU : അകപ്പാടെ ഒമ്പതു പേരെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതായി കാണുന്നു. ഓരോരുത്തരേയും ഏതെതു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലാണു നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതെന്നു പറയാമോ ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : അവർ ഇപ്പോൾ ട്രെയിനിംഗിൽ ഇരിക്കുകയാണു്. അതു കഴിഞ്ഞേ നിയമനം നടക്കുകയുള്ളൂ.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : ഏതെല്ലാം സമുദായത്തിൽ നിന്നുമാണു് നോമിനേറു ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നതു് ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: ഒരു മുസ്ലിം, ഒരു ഈഴവൻ, ഒരു ചാലിയൻ.

MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU : മറു ഹിന്ദു ഒന്നു് എന്നു കാണുന്നു. അതു് ഏതു സമുദായത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട ആളാണു് ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : അതുതന്നെയാണു ചാലിയൻ എന്നു പറഞ്ഞതു്.

The Government Zoo.

78 * MR. G. VELU PILLAI (*Kirunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total amount got by selling tickets for entering the Government Zoo from the date when that system was introduced till 15-11-1117;

(*b*) the date when it was introduced; and

(*c*) the average daily collection therefrom?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: (*a*) S. Rs. 1647-25-0.

(*b*) 5-5-1117 / 20-12-1941.

(*c*) S. Rs. 8-16-0.

Work of the High Court.

79 *MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of cases disposed of by the High Court between 1-1-1117 and 15-11-1117; and

(*b*) the number of appeals filed before 1110 now pending disposal in the High Court?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) *A statement containing the information is laid on the table.

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(*b*) A. S.	4	36
S. A.	1	8

* *Vide* Appendix IV.

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